

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

REBELS CAPTURE CASAS GRANDES

Report Comes From Federal and Insurgent Sources.

MEXICAN GENERAL IS TAKEN

General Orozco Traps Blanco's Forces in a Canyon and Accomplishes Their Complete Defeat, Capturing Two Guns, Many Rifles and Much Ammunition—Rebel Victory Gains Them an Advantageous Position.

El Paso, Tex., Dec. 24.—Casas Grandes, the most important town in the ranching and lumbering district southwest of Juarez, has been taken by rebels personally commanded by General Pascual Orozco, Jr., it was reported from federal and rebel official sources.

A column of 800 men marching against the rebels at Casas Grandes was defeated, it was announced.

The federal commander at Casas Grandes, General Jose Blanco, was taken prisoner.

S. D. Ambrose, an American hotel man of Columbus, N. M., who arrived here, confirms the report. He was in Ascension at the time of its capture last Wednesday and talked with General Salazar, whose forces took the town. While there a messenger arrived directly from General Orozco with a letter from the rebel leader saying he had taken Casas Grandes and defeated Blanco.

Blanco's force was entrapped in a canyon north of Casas Grandes, according to the rebel report. Aside from capturing many rifles and much ammunition the rebels obtained two cannons. Details of the battles are lacking, but Casas Grandes was taken easily, Orozco wrote, as the federalists left only 200 men to protect the town.

By taking Casas Grandes, the scene of a hard struggle in the Madero revolution in which the rebels were repulsed, the Orozco revolutionists control the Mexico Northwestern railway, which runs between Juarez, on the border, and Chihuahua City, the state capital. The territory tributary to the American railway, which includes the Pearson syndicate's lumbering towns of Pearson and Madera and the San Pedro mining district, also is brought under rebel rule.

The railway wires are not operating west from Chihuahua City or below Juarez and no railway confirmation of the town's fall could be obtained.

TO DEPORT LIBELER OF KING

Englishman Who Slandered Ruler Can't Enter United States.

New York, Dec. 24.—Edward F. Mylius, the Englishman convicted in London of libeling King George V. and sentenced to serve a year in prison, was ordered deported by the commissioner of immigration at Ellis Island. Mylius was held to be an undesirable alien and probably will return on the vessel which brought him here. His term expired Dec. 7, 1911.

Mylius published a sensational story that the English sovereign had contracted a morganatic marriage in Malta in 1880.

Mylius appealed from the decision and will be given another hearing.

BOMB HURLED AT HARDINGE

Viceroy of India Wounded and Attendant Killed.

Delhi, India, Dec. 24.—Sir Charles Hardinge, viceroy of India, was wounded and one of his attendants was killed and another hurt by a bomb hurled at the viceroy from a house on the way to the new capital in state. The bomb struck the howdah of the viceroy's elephant, killing the attendant instantly. The viceroy was hurriedly removed to a hospital. The bomb thrower escaped. The viceroy was making entry in state to Delhi as the last of the ceremonies in connection with the transfer of the capital from Calcutta to Delhi.

\$500,000 TEMPERANCE FUND

To Be Spent in Five Yearly Installments for Nationwide Crusade.

Washington, Dec. 24.—Nearly 400 temperance workers from throughout the United States, who have been here to urge the passage of legislation prohibiting shipment of liquor into "dry" territory, scattered for their homes to work toward the raising of a fund of \$500,000 in yearly installments of \$100,000 for the inauguration of a nationwide crusade. The workers were in session two days, the conference closing with a banquet.

"WE ARE OUR OWN BETTERS"—TREE

Famous Englishman In Speech Strikes Out at Snobbery.

SAYS WE REVERE BUTTONS.

Declares Most Pitiable Frame of Mind Is That Admitting Social Inferiority. Says Gentleman Is One Who Doesn't Try to Be One.

At the Hudson theater, in New York, Sir Beerbohm Tree talked on "Our Betters" to an audience which was not only interested but interesting. On the stage were Viola Allen, Daniel Frohman, Bishop Boyd Carpenter, Francis Wilson, Edwin Markham, Dr. Henry Leipsig, A. Barton Hepburn, Henry Clews, William McAdoo, Dr. E. R. Gould, Louis K. Anspacher, J. I. C. Clarke and other well known men and women.

It was the first time that most of the audience had seen the distinguished Englishman in his own undisguised personality, and it was apparent that they decidedly approved of him in the role of himself. His commanding figure and erect carriage prepared them for one personal reference which he made in the course of his lecture.

"In an interview with me printed in one paper," he said, "the statement was made that I am seventy years old. Well, I think that must be what is called being born before one's time."

Sir Beerbohm's ideas about our betters were expressed when he declared there is no more pitiable frame of mind than that shown in the familiar utterance of thousands of Englishmen, "God bless the squire and his relations and keep us in our proper stations."

"On that symbol of respectability, the frock coat, there are two buttons," he said. "Nobody knows why they are there, but no one would dare appear without them. A reverence for buttons is one of the attributes of our common humanity. And we put on our mental clothes, buttons and all, with the same subservience to custom. We sing in unison the hymn of respectability. And to be respectable is to be what other people are. Being oneself is the greatest of luxuries and, I may add, one of the most expensive."

"Valor in the weak is always dangerous. I heard a story the other day of a mouse that strayed into a wine cellar and, coming across a pool of whiskey, dipped one foot in and licked it experimentally.

"Humph," he said, "that's pretty good!" and forthwith put in two feet, then all four, then rolled in it, and licked himself all over. After awhile he reached the point that he bounded up the stairs two at a time, and having reached the top he exclaimed: 'Now, where's that cat that chased me last week!'

"People imbibe from their betters habits of good form they are never able to shake off.

"But what is a gentleman? He is a man who doesn't care whether he is a gentleman or not! He is a man whose courtesy isn't regulated by his interests."

"I saw in Munich recently an exhibition of the cubists and futurists. I was quite sure of one picture. It was a monk shooting wild duck. But I was told it was the 'Dawn of Buddhism.' What I took to be an Egyptian mummy floating in green pickles was a cab accident. By the way, I notice that these schools always paint their dogs green with red spots. That's symbolic of something. I am confident it is. But I don't know what.

"Among our betters are those who could show us the right pronunciation of the English language. The stage has done a great service in preserving the language of Shakespeare. I wish there could be established a standard of pronunciation for the English speaking world. There is none now. Among our inconsistencies is the dropping of the 'g,' which is vulgarity in the lower classes and a sign of smartness in the upper ones. And, by the way, in another local interview I am represented as saying 'Fawncy.' Now, an Englishman never says that. We say 'Fancy.' Say it very often."

Sir Beerbohm summed up by saying that the boy scout movement is doing much to break down artificial social distinctions. In the end men's betters are themselves.

England Likes Lobsters.

About 80,000 lobsters are eaten daily in Great Britain. Most of them come from Norway and Nova Scotia.

GEORGE C. WICKERSHAM.

Attorney General May Bring Civil Suits Against Roads.



Photo by American Press Association.

CIVIL SUITS MAY FOLLOW

Officials of Grand Trunk and New Haven Roads Indicted.

Washington, Dec. 24.—Attorney General Wickersham will follow up the indictments of officials of the New York, New Haven and Hartford and Grand Trunk railroads for immediate consideration of the question whether civil suit should be instituted to restrain the two roads from pursuing their alleged combination in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law. This question hangs in the balance and the attorney general indicated that he would give it careful study after reviewing the evidence submitted to the grand jury at New York and after conferences with Jesse C. Adkins, assistant attorney general, who has charge of the case.

Mr. Wickersham said the indictments represented the unrestrained judgments of the grand jury.

TO PROTEST AGAINST NEW YEAR LID LIFT

Five Hundred Ministers Will Visit Chicago City Hall.

Chicago, Dec. 24.—Widespread protest against the revelries typical of New Year's eve and the declaration by Chief of Police McWeeny that cafes and saloons would be allowed to sell liquor until 3 a. m. took new impetus here with the announcement that a "town meeting" had been called for next Monday noon to protest against any suspension of the 1 o'clock closing ordinance.

The gathering will be addressed by leading churchmen and attorneys. At its close 500 ministers will form in line and march in a body to the office of the chief of police, where the spokesman will read to him the laws defining his duties and also the laws restricting the sale of liquor. Then, to further impress him, according to the plans, he will be told that the demand of the citizens is that he enforce the law on New Year's eve and use the entire police force to do it.

The whole body will then march to Mayor Harrison's office, where he will be requested personally to oversee the work.

LAKES TO GULF PROJECT DEAD

Congressman Blames It to Opposition to Fourteen-Foot Plan.

Oshkosh, Wis., Dec. 24.—James H. Davidson, representative in congress from this district and member of the rivers and harbors committee, stated that the deep waterways project from Chicago to the gulf is practically dead at the present time, due to the opposition to the 14-foot plan.

REMEMBERS SERVANT IN WILL

Man Gives Her Income From \$10,000 While She's Single.

Fond du Lac, Wis., Dec. 24.—The will of Captain David Jack, prominent manufacturer and vice president of the Gurney Refrigerator company, sets aside \$10,000 for Ida Schavey, the family servant, the income of which is to be hers as long as she remains unmarried.

The will disposes of property valued at \$179,000, being left to two daughters, Mrs. M. J. Peck of Fond du Lac and Mrs. Ben Hooper of Oshkosh.

ALLIES PRESENT THEIR DEMANDS

Turkish Envoys Say Compliance Is Impossible.

WILL MEET AGAIN SATURDAY

Balkan States' Terms Appear to Comprise Cession of All the Captured Territory—Financial Proposals Are Held in Reserve for Another Meeting—Diplomats in London Believe Agreement Terminating War Will Be Reached.

London, Dec. 24.—After several days of preliminary skirmishing, in accordance with the traditions of Oriental diplomacy, the Turkish delegates faced the real attack of the allies at the fifth meeting of the Balkan peace conference.

The victorious allies laid their most important cards on the table. These were in the form of territorial conditions which they had agreed to impose on the Ottoman empire. The demands as set forth were:

First—The cession by Turkey of all the territory west of a line starting from a point east of Rodosto, on the Sea of Marmora, to a point in the Bay of Malatra, on the Black sea, and excluding the peninsula of Gallipoli. Albania's status to be decided by the powers.

Second—The cession of the Aegean islands, occupied by the Greek forces in the present war and by the Italians in the recent war.

Third—The cession to Greece of all Turkish rights in the island of Crete. The allies did not reveal the financial proposals which they will make to Turkey, reserving them for a future meeting.

Before the allies presented their specifications the Turks announced that their government was prepared to proceed with the negotiations, leaving the question of revictualing Adrianople for discussion between Turkey and Bulgaria. They abandoned their previous request to provision Scutari and Janina.

The formal conference lasted only a quarter of an hour. The Turks listened to the proclamation of the fate of their European empire without formal comment and asked for an adjournment until Saturday to consider the allies' demands.

Assert Terms Impossible.

In the informal conversation with the delegates, which consumed an hour, they asserted that it would be impossible for them to accept such terms, but that statement is inevitable in meetings of this character and was expected.

The allies will recognize the autonomy of Albania under the suzerainty of the porte, but not its sovereignty. Albania will become what Crete was and what Egypt is in its relation to Turkey. The sultan will be the nominal ruler, but without political, administrative or military power. He will have the right to raise his flag in Albania and appoint a resident governor, but only for the purpose of ratifying the decisions of the local government.

Among diplomats here the opinion prevails that notwithstanding what the Turks consider the unacceptable conditions presented by the allies, and what the allies declare are terms which cannot be reduced, peace ultimately will be concluded. It is remarked that the allies and the Turks, when the armistice was concluded, were in exactly the same position as the Russians and the Japanese when the United States induced them to adhere to the Portsmouth conference. Both the Turks and Bulgarians at Tehtalja practically were in a state of exhaustion. Now both have strengthened themselves, but neither really is sure what would happen were the conflict resumed.

Owing to this reciprocal apprehension an understanding may be reached. The hardest point is Adrianople, on which an agreement between the delegates perhaps would be difficult if its solution were attempted directly by them. But it may be brought about through the mediation of one power or several powers.

Egg Economy.

It is well to remember that it is not necessary to boil a whole egg to get the yolk for garnishing. Separate white and yolk without breaking the latter and poach it hard in salted water. The white can be saved for other uses.

A Common Mistake.

Many a man has the idea that he is a humorist merely because other people think he is funny.

MRS. SICKLES.

General's Wife Will Pay Balance of His Shortage.



WIFE'S CHECK FOR SICKLES

General's Son Pays \$5,000 of Father's Shortage With It.

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 24.—Attorney General Carmody turned over to State Comptroller Sohmer a \$5,000 certified check as part payment for the \$28,000 unaccounted for by General Daniel E. Sickles as chairman of the New York monuments commission. The check was signed by Mrs. Sickles.

Under an agreement made by the attorney general's office and Stanton Sickles, son of General Sickles, the balance of the money unaccounted for is to be paid in two or three weeks.

ATTORNEY INDULGES IN ELOQUENT PLEA

Says Man Who Raises Family Is No Dynamiter.

Indianapolis, Dec. 24.—Four-year-old George Bernhardt, who was playing in the lobby of the federal building with a toy engine, was made a subject of comment in the arguments for the defense before the jury at the so called dynamite conspiracy trial.

The boy is the son of William C. Bernhardt of Cincinnati, one of the forty defendants. The wives of about thirty defendants, with almost as many children, have been sitting through the trial for almost three months, and while his parents were listening to the denial of the charge of dynamiting the boy was romping through the lobby with an early supply of Christmas presents.

"If after this long trial you must convict somebody," said Attorney William N. Harding, "don't convict William Bernhardt, for he is an industrious ironworker and has a wife to support. He has worked hard all his life and has raised a family. Blowing up nonunion jobs at night or resorting to violence in a strike is not characteristic of a man who raises a family. But, I say, if you must convict somebody by the name of Bernhardt, convict his little boy. Send his little boy to the penitentiary. He might stand it, but Bernhardt, with a wife, could not."

MELLEN GOES TO NEW YORK

Indicted Head of New Haven Road to Consult Counsel.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 24.—President Charles S. Mellen of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad company left New Haven for New York, where it is understood he will consult counsel as to what course to follow in indictment against him.

Other than saying that he did not feel it would be proper to discuss a matter which is yet to be tried Mr. Mellen declined to discuss the indictment.

COST OF CHICAGO'S XMAS

Estimated That \$20,000,000 Will Be Expended.

Chicago, Dec. 24.—Chicago's Christmas year, it is estimated, will cost about \$20,000,000, making it the most prosperous in the history of the city.

For gifts, including toys, it is figured that \$15,000,000 will be spent; dinners, wines, liquors and tobacco are expected to add about \$1,500,000, while the remainder will be made up in gifts of employers to the employees.

Merchants declare that prosperity appears to be general.

Diligence.

Diligence increaseth the fruit of toil. A dilatory man wrestles with losses.—Hesiod.

MASKED BANDITS HOLD UP TRAIN

5,000 MINERS ON STRIKE

American Property at Durango, Mex., May Be Closed Down.

El Paso, Tex., Dec. 24.—Related reports arrived here of a strike at Mapiimi, Durango, which involves 5,000 Mexican miners. American officials of the mine threaten to close down indefinitely until conditions in the surrounding country are more settled.

The Chihuahua smelter resumed operations with the receipt of hundreds of cars of coal from the United States.

UNCLESAM'S CHRISTMASTREE

It Holds Gifts for Immigrants Detained at Ellis Island.

New York, Dec. 24.—Twelve hundred immigrants from all parts of the world, detained on the threshold of the New World, were given a taste of Uncle Sam's Christmas cheer that increased their anxiety to enter.

From two big Christmas trees in the dining room on Ellis Island gifts were distributed to every man, woman and child. Five clergymen made addresses in as many languages and the entertainment ended with a dinner in which figured ice cream and other dainties strange to a large majority of the guests.

The men received briar pipes, collar buttons or purses. The women were given small ornaments or toilet articles and the children a variety of toys.

NEGRO TRAIN ROBBER KILLED

Private Detective Shoots Black Near Chandler, Okla.

Tulsa, Okla., Dec. 24.—An unidentified negro was shot and instantly killed while attempting to rob the crew and passengers of St. Louis and San Francisco train No. 412, Oklahoma City to Kansas City, shortly after the train left Chandler, Okla.

It is asserted the negro had killed another negro before boarding the train. The bandit was shot by an operative of a detective agency, who was a passenger.

TICKET OFFICE IS HELD UP

Highwayman Successfully Operates in Buffalo in Daylight.

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 24.—Within sight of a score of people highwaymen held up two clerks in the city ticket office of the Grand Trunk railway and succeeded in getting away with \$327.

Joseph E. Edwards, chief clerk, and Harold D. Mowry, a stenographer, were behind the desk when the man entered and, drawing a revolver, threatened to kill them if they made an outcry. He then walked behind the counter, rifled the cash drawer of all the bills in sight and fled.

GRAIN AND PROVISION PRICES

Duluth Wheat and Flax.

Duluth, Dec. 24.—Wheat—To arrive on track—No. 1 hard, 84½¢; No. 1 Northern, 83½¢; No. 2 Northern, 81½¢; Dec., 82½¢; May, 86½¢. Flax On track, \$1.25½; to arrive, \$1.24½; Dec., \$1.24; May, \$1.24½.

South St. Paul Live Stock.

South St. Paul, Dec. 24.—Cattle—Steers, \$5.75@8.50; cows and heifers, \$4.00@7.00; calves, \$4.00@8.50; feeders, \$3.75@6.90. Hogs—\$6.75@7.10. Sheep—Lambs, \$3.50@7.00; wethers, \$3.25@4.35; ewes, \$2.00@4.15.

Minneapolis Grain.

Minneapolis, Dec. 24.—Wheat—Dec., 81½¢; May, 86½¢; July, 87½¢. Cash close on track: No. 1 hard, 84½¢; No. 1 Northern, 82½¢; to arrive, 82½¢; No. 2 Northern, 80½¢; No. 3 Northern, 79½¢; No. 3 yellow corn, 41½¢@42¢; No. 4 corn, 38½¢@40½¢; No. 3 white oats, 30½¢@31¢; to arrive, 30½¢; No. 3 oats, 28½¢@29½¢.

Chicago Grain and Provisions.

Chicago, Dec. 24.—Wheat—Dec., 86½¢; May, 91½¢@92¢; July, 88½¢. Corn—Dec., 48½¢; May, 49¢; July, 49½¢. Oats—Dec., 32½¢; May, 33½¢@33½¢; July, 33½¢. Pork—Jan., \$17.92; May, \$18.20. Butter—Creameries, 27@34¢. Eggs—19@25¢. Poultry—Turkeys, 15@19½¢; chickens, 11½¢; springs, 11½¢.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Dec. 24.—Cattle—Beoves, \$5.55@9.80; Texas steers, \$4.50@5.75; Western steers, \$5.85@7.60; stockers and feeders, \$4.25@7.49; cows and heifers, \$2.75@7.60; calves, \$6.50@10.00. Hogs—Light, \$6.90@7.35; mixed, \$7.00@7.45; heavy, \$7.00@7.45; rough, \$7.00@7.15; pigs, \$5.00@6.85. Sheep—Native, \$4.00@5.20; yearlings, \$5.85@6.90; lambs, \$5.90@8.25.

Four Charges of Dynamite Fail to Open Express Safe.

LEAVE PASSENGERS ALONE

Four Robbers Stop a Chicago and Alton Train Near Springfield, Ill., Force the Engineer to Run the Express Car Several Miles and Then Try to Blow Safe—Flagman Runs for Help and Desperadoes Flee, With Posse in Pursuit.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 24.—Four masked bandits held up Chicago and Alton westbound passenger train No. 9, known as the Hummer, five miles southwest of here.

After having the engine and express cars uncoupled from the rest of the train the bandits forced the engineer to drive several miles down the tracks, where the robbers exploded four charges of dynamite in unsuccessful attempts to open the express car safes.

Closely pursued by a posse of fifteen deputy sheriffs and railroad detectives from Springfield aboard a switch engine the robbers left the badly damaged safe and escaped into thick woods along the right of way.

The Springfield posse, joined by a force of railroad detectives and employees from Jacksonville, continued the hunt for the bandits, exchanging several volleys of shots.

The engineer of the train then backed his engine to Iles station, where the coaches and sleeping cars were picked up, and the train continued on its way to Kansas City.

None of the passengers of the heavily loaded train were disturbed, the bandits confining their operations to the express cars.

The robbers had been riding on the "blind" baggage. When near Iles they crept over the tender and covered Engineer Sam McLaughlin of Bloomington with guns, ordering him to stop. An order was then given Fireman W. A. Sullivan of Bloomington to get down and "uncouple."

Horace Smith, flagman, ran back to the Iles station and had the operator wire to Springfield for help.

J. E. Farrell, division trainmaster, in his report to C. W. Miller, division superintendent of the Alton, says the robbers secured little loot, that they fired four shots of dynamite at the safe, but failed to open it, and fled when the officers arrived on the switch engine.

The express messenger is said to have put up a game fight when the robbers first entered his car.

ATTENDS PARDONS MEETING

Governor Wilson Says He Feels Like Squeezed Sponge.

Princeton, N. J., Dec. 24.—"I feel like a squeezed sponge," exclaimed President Elect Wilson when he returned home here after a session in Trenton with the state board of pardons, over which as governor he presided.

"This is one of the days that takes it out of me," he said, "because you do not know sometimes if you are acting right or wrong, and you cannot go into the claims of all the cases." Out of 200 applications from convicts seventy cases came before the board and not a minute did the governor get to attend to national business. Three capital cases were considered. The sentences of two were commuted, but a third will be electrocuted.

EFFECT ARMED QUARANTINE

Middville, Ga., Citizens Seek to Flee Meningitis Epidemic.

Middville, Ga., Dec. 21.—Armed deputies were stationed on every public road entering this place to enforce the quarantine declared as a result of the meningitis epidemic which has caused twelve deaths here recently. Nine patients now are being treated. A general exodus of citizens, which began last week, was stopped when the guards were stationed to enforce the quarantine.

Two Boys Drowned.

Marquette, Wis., Dec. 24.—Albert Berg, aged nine, and Robert Heldman, aged seven, were drowned at Gladstone, Mich., while playing on the ice of Little Bay de Noquet. One lad was drawing the other on a sled when the ice gave way and both went to the bottom.

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17212

LOCAL NEWS NOTES
W. B. Jones, Cass county commis-
sioner, came from Walker this noon.
Have your framing done early to
avoid the holiday rush. See Losey
& Dean.—Adv. 1611f
Subscription to a magazine. We
have magazine certificates. L. Hoh-
man.—Adv. 17212
Bruno Olsson of Crosby, arrived to-
day to spend Christmas in Brainerd
with friends.
Miss Mamie Cosgrove, teaching
school at Staples, is home for the
Christmas holidays.
Box of flowers or potted plants is
always appreciated. L. Honman.—
Adv. 17212
T. H. Croswell, vice president of
the Cuyuna Range Power company,
is in the city today.
Judge B. F. Wright left today for
his home in Park Rapids to spend
Christmas with his family.
Take your Christmas dinner at
Spalding's. 35c. Ladies entrance
207 Fifth street. 17
James Builey went to Henderson
today, called there by the death of
his brother, Manning P. Builey.
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sunley went
to Minneapolis today to spend Christ-
mas with friends and relatives.
Farm loans for farms by a farmer,
R. R. Livingston, Telephone 414-3.
—Adv. 1733-1w1f
Rev. Reuben Johnson went to Wa-
dena this noon where he will hold
Christmas services this evening.
Miss Lillian Frederick left today
for her home in Ottentail, where she
will spend her Christmas holidays.
Miss Mamie Keough, who is a
teacher in the public schools at Far-
go, N. D., is home for the holidays.
Dr. H. G. McGinn came from Ait-
kin today to spend Christmas with
his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. McGinn.
The Spalding Cafe will serve a
turkey dinner on Christmas day.
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Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Pitt of Crosby
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In the case of Slipp-Gruenhagen
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verdict of \$164.21. The amount
sued for was \$175.
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Mrs. W. G. Owens left this morn-
ing to join her husband at Sedalia,
Mo., where they will spend the holi-
days with Mr. Owens' parents. They
will then make their home in Spring-
field, Mo., where Mr. Owens is em-
ployed with the Frisco line as a ma-
chinist.
As there will be a Xmas tree at
the Norwegian-Danish Lutheran
church on Friday evening, Decem-
ber 27th. Members of the Y.
P. society as many as possible are
kindly asked to be at the church
Thursday evening to assist trimming
the tree, etc.
Novelty frames, trays, colonial
mirrors. Just a suggestion of what
to buy for a suitable Christmas pres-
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day to spend Christmas with rela-
tives.
Miss Leonora Nubbe, a stenogra-
pher at Crosby, arrived home today
to spend Christmas with friends and
relatives.
We shall serve Christmas dinner
at the Ideal cafe from 12:30 to 2:30
P. M.—Adv. 17
Miss Laura Haggard of St. Paul, is
spending the holidays with her brother
and family, Attorney and Mrs. D.
A. Haggard.
Willus Wyman, court reporter of
Judge B. F. Wright, returned today
to Park Rapids to spend Christmas
with friends.
Mrs. C. A. Palmer of Walker,
passed through Brainerd on her way
to Minneapolis where she will visit
her mother, Mrs. Kelehan.
We have put in the finest line of
pictures ever shown in Brainerd for
the Christmas trade. Losey & Dean.
Adv. 1361f
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Onstine went
to Fargo, N. D., today to spend
Christmas with their son and fam-
ily, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Onstine, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. James Richardson,
of Virginia, have arrived to spend
the Christmas holidays with her par-
ents, Judge and Mrs. W. A. Fleming.
Mrs. Nels P. Peterson and two
children arrived this noon from St.
Paul to spend the Christmas holi-
days with friends and relatives in
the city.
A good picture is enhanced by a
suitable frame. Losey & Dean ex-
cell in artistic framing.—Adv. 1611f
J. T. Drawz, editor of the Staples
World, was in the city Saturday at-
tending to business matters. A new
telephone directory is soon to make
its appearance in Staples.
Attorney Jay Henry Long will
spend Christmas with his son and
family, Mr. and Mrs. Stacy Long, at
International Falls. His son is con-
ductor on the M. D. & W. railway.

Many Helpful Christmas Suggestions
from "The Gift Shop" "at Murphy's"

Glove Certificates
OUR STORE
OPEN TONIGHT

Ladies' Silk Stockings
Kid Gloves
Scarfs
Bags
Ribbons
Blankets
Suits
Furs

Ladies' Silk Vests
Mittens
Handkerchiefs
Fancy Combs
Table Linens
Bath Robes
Skirts
Muslin Underwear

Ladies' Silk Skirts
Mittens
Fancy Aprons
Jewelry
Silks
Kimonos
Dresses
Baskets

Silk Gloves
Veils
Belts
Parasols
Dress Goods
Coats
Waists
Sweaters

Gift Certificates For Any Amount

Murphy's
SEE OUR
WINDOW DISPLAY

GLAD TO SEE SUN
Fred Ott Visits Misty Oregon and Re-
joices When He Can See Sun
in Old Minnesota
Fred Ott recently spent some time
in Oregon and happened to arrive in
the state when the winter season is
on and the skies are a mass of leaden
gray and rain is drizzling down every
day and one does not catch a glimpse
of the sun for months at a time. It
is a kind of a dismal prospect to one
accustomed to the buoyant winters
in Minnesota and Fred hung out as
long as he could and then bought a
ticket back to Brainerd.

Arriving in town he slept but a
short time and early in the morning
his wife heard him stirring around.
She called to him to find out what
was disturbing him and receiving no
answer, she crept down stairs and
looked out of the door and there was
Mr. Ott looking at the sun and drink-
ing in the sight of the fiery orb as
though renewing acquaintances with
a long lost friend.
"What are you doing out there?"
she asked him.
"Well," said Mr. Ott, "I haven't
seen the sun for so long that I just
had to get up and take a look at him"

You Will be Well Dressed
If your wardrobe includes a pair of
those beautiful satin pumps Oberst
is showing. They come in blue,
pink, red, white and black.—Adv. 17212

Disillusioned.
Cholly Bulseye—Did you ever dream
of me, Miss Ball? Miss Minnie Ball—
Yes; two nights running, and the third—
Cholly Bulseye—So delighted! And the
third? Miss Minnie Ball—I took an
oplate.—Puck.

Red Cross Seals
OFFER AN
Investment in Health
Every Consumptive
Properly Cared for Insures Your Life
Against Tuberculosis.
Every Seal You Buy
Helps to Provide Hospital, Sanatoria, Dis-
pensaries, and Visiting Nurses for the Cure
and Cure of Consumption in your com-
munity.
BUY RED CROSS SEALS
AND PROTECT YOUR OWN HEALTH

WANTS
Notices under this head will be
inserted for at the rate of one word
per line for the first insertion and one
word for each subsequent inser-
tion, strictly cash in advance, but a
5¢ will be taken for less than fifteen
words.
HELP WANTED.
WANTED—Girl at depot lunch room.
1631f
WANTED—10 men to cut logging.
Apply to Fred Klasey, Barrows.
17313
WANTED—Good girl for general
housework. Apply to Mrs. H. P.
Dunn, 323 4th street. 1521f

FOR RENT.
FOR RENT—Furnished and unfur-
nished room, well heated. Nearly
opposite the postoffice. Inquire J.
S. Gardner. Phone 431-J. 171

FOR SALE
USED AUTO—Albert Angel. 1151f

MISCELLANEOUS
FOUND—Skates between Northwest-
ern hospital and Northeast Brainerd
bridge. Owner claim and pay
advertising. 217 North Tenth St.
17212

ENGINEERING
F. A. GLASS, Mining Engineer—
Examinations, Directions of Ex-
plorations, Surveys and General
Engineering. Glass' map of the
Cuyuna is the best and is up to
date covering mineral areas of
Crow Wing, Itasca, Morrison and
Cass counties. Size 24x52 on pa-
per \$4. Size 24x52 on cloth \$5.

Christmas is Coming
THE CITIZENS STATE BANK
of Brainerd, Minnesota
Invites you to open a savings account for your son or daugh-
ter, or friend. The pass book which you receive will make
an ideal Christmas present.

B. C. McNAMARA Offers the following
Christmas Suggestions
Of Useful and Appropriate Gifts
Rugs
Chairs
Couches
Pictures
Ladies Desks
Rocking Chairs
Center Tables
Library Lamps
Library Tables
Picture Frames
Dressing Tables
Carpet Sweepers
B. C. McNamara
Imperial Block Brainerd, Minn.

Go to the
Olympia
Candy Kitchen
612 Front Street
For Your
Christmas Goods

Nice fancy boxes of candy, bon bons and mixed and chipped candy.
Candy canes, coconut bones, mixed nuts, fruits of all kinds.
Ice cream in bricks and in bulk, all flavors. Send orders in
early for brick ice cream.
CUT FLOWERS FOR DECORATIONS
We Deliver to all parts of the city
Phone 355

THE PRECAUTION OF PA.
"Pa, do you believe women ought to
vote?"
"Where's your mother?"
"Out at the front gate talking to Mrs.
Jimkin."
"Naw!"—Birmingham Age Herald.

Yes, you can hear people
everywhere talking about the up-to-
date line of satin pumps at Oberst's
Shoe Store.—Adv. 17212

THE GARDNER BLOCK
The Gardner block on Laurel
street is being improved by the ad-
dition of a steam plant which is be-
ing installed by the D. M. Clark Co.
The excavation contract was awarded
to P. G. Fogelstrom. Steam heat
will make the Gardner block one of
the best buildings in the city.

THE FUNERAL OF THE LATE
Coblenz of Pillager, accidentally
killed near Brainerd on Saturday af-
ternoon was held at the Swedish

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK
Brainerd, Minn.
Established 1881
Capital and Surplus
One Hundred Thousand Dollars

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CHRISTMAS DAY COMES TOMORROW

Day of Peace on Earth and Good-will Towards All Men Celebrated Wednesday

DIFFERENT PHASES OF THE DAY

For H. P. Dunn and Ministers of the City Write of the Happy Holiday

Christmas, a day of good cheer, of peace on earth and good will towards all men, of happy family reunions, comes tomorrow. The Dispatch has heretofore the happy expressions of Mayor H. P. Dunn of this city and many of the ministers of the city as to how they feel towards Christmas, that holiday which signifies so much and is the brightest spot on the calendar of the little folks.

Christmas! Holy Christmas! grandest and most sacred holiday in the calendar of time. It is one holiday that brings infancy age together to revel in the joy of common communion; the one day, the other realizes; age gives infancy receives and in the realization of those golden visions of night, home becomes a paradise. As we pass through our streets pulsing with life, we find them everywhere swarming with people all apparently engaged in some important matter. What is it? The windows of our stores are visions of beauty beyond that which man ever dreamed before. Why this glorious display?

One of the most important factors in the expectant little ones at home, their glad little hearts will beat at the coming of this day, the representative of which is jolly old St. Nick, covered with soot and snow, with the spirit of goodwill preying among the older ones, with joyous laughter of the little ones, certainly must feel that this is time of peace on earth and good-will towards all men.

H. P. DUNN,
Mayor of Brainerd.

Merry Christmas
The word that is most frequently used with Christmas is "Merry." Merry Christmas is the form of greeting of friends and acquaintances. Hear this cheerful salutation on streets, in the stores, in the shops, in the homes. It springs as naturally from our lips as the water from the fountain. Maybe sometimes it is

is conventional and perfunctory but for the most part it is the expression of our wish for the happiness of the one we greet.

The spirit of the season is one of gladness. The home coming of the boys and girls, the fervor of expectancy of the children for what Santa Claus may bring, and the refined mental gratification in giving gifts all make this season the happiest of the year—the Merry Christmas of our greeting.

It is in the homes of the poor that Christmas is merriest. The giving and receiving of gifts mean little to the rich. Christmas to them is but an episode, to the poor it is an epoch. The Merry, Merry Christmas greeting and a little gift with a touch of the giver will make the hearts of the "Little Nells" and the "Tiny Tims" thrill with joy. The giver and the manner of giving means more than the gift.

Rich and poor, the small and the great, the merry Christmas season is for all. On the blessed advent morning in the manger in the town of Bethlehem where the young child was born wise men came from the east. They gave him gifts, the gifts which only the rich could give—gold, frankincense and myrrh; the angels announced the glad news in song; and the shepherds led their flocks "to see this thing which was come to pass which the Lord hath made known unto us." Thus Christmas is for the rich and the lowly, heavenly beings and wise men, men who work and men who plan.

Merry Christmas. The Christ child has become the Saviour divine. The years date from His birth, a weekly day of rest is kept for His sake, five hundred million people profess allegiance to Him. The noblest theme of story and song, the most majestic subject of art, oratorio and oration is the one who made a merry Christmas possible for the earth.

REV. W. J. LOWRIE,
Pastor First Presbyterian church.

The Spirit of Christmas
What happened 2,000 years ago? The birth of a Saviour or the establishment of a mint, the adoration of God incarnate or the adoration of the mythical God Bacchus. Alas! How true it is that today our Christmas has been turned into an occasion decorated with the silly, costly useless novelty.

There is an extravagant spirit that is often taken for the Christmas spirit. It is that spirit that would betray the Babe of Bethlehem and put in its place a Cross of Gold. This is seen in our demands, for months our factories have been working night and day, human beings worked to al-

most prostration to supply the demands of a civilized race.

It is also seen in our giving. I am not taking issue with the giving, we need more of the real spirit of giving. No, I am taking issue with the "Spirit of giving." I am simply one of many who are trying to stop the on-rush of a mighty stream that threatens to turn Christmas into an arcade instead of the humble manger.

There is a lack of the substantial in our gifts, the spending for, and the giving of the silly, useless thing that doesn't amount to a zero. It is not the cost of the gift but the value of the spirit behind the gift that makes Christmas. Humanity's weakness is to copy, hence today we hear the cry from the less fortunate "We are too poor to keep Christmas." It has become a nightmare instead of a season of good tidings of great joy. A book like Scotts "Marmion," or Van Dykes "Spirit of Christmas" will do more good than the presentation of a pink boa, a German silver comb and brush set or a bottle of perfume. Not that these are unserviceable, but that Christmas should be put on a more sane and solid basis.

The true Christmas spirit is summed up in the words, "Not as the world giveth give I unto you." The absence of ostentation, Emerson says, "The only gift is a portion of thyself." A good definition of the Christmas spirit might be as follows:

1. That which bears the pulse of the giver.
2. That which touches the pulse of the recipient.
3. That which has the Christ spirit.

It is myself in the gift that makes it genuine. Christmas was the gift of a life, and to perpetuate it, it must be the giving of a life. A gift without myself in it resolves itself to a mere social exchange and custom. Or as Lowell so beautifully puts it:

"The gift without the giver is bare." It should also touch the pulse of the recipient. If this is borne in mind, the waste paper baskets, and trunks would not be so full at Christmas time with things that are kept merely because they were given, or consigned to the waste paper basket because they are useless.

Finally the true Christmas spirit bears the thrill of the Christ spirit. It is universal, not confined to a certain people, but cheer burning not only in the home of the aristocrats, but in the homes on the prairies, the log cabins of the miners, the homes of the pioneers that blaze a path where highways never ran, the confines of the prison, the hospitals, the institutions of charity, on every hill and in every dale, Christmas cheer burning.

When the Christ spirit permeates the season, it matters little whether our gift be of gold, or silver, or iron, or wood or even a piece of birch bark folded into a cup, or maybe a sprig of holly, it matters not for all may be message bearers of good tidings of great joy.

May we ever deprecate the spirit that would put a cross of gold in the manger at Bethlehem, may every thought and movement during this season be thrilled through and through with the presence of the "Prince of Peace." Thus alone to us will the "Tidings be Good and Glad."

REV. G. P. SHERIDAN,
Minister First Congregational Church

He Gave Because He Loved

"A Merry Christmas." Yes, a merry Christmas. Some old Schroog may say, "Out upon merry Christmas? If I had my will every idiot who goes about with 'Merry Christmas' on his lips should be boiled with his own pudding and buried with a stake of holly through his heart; he should!" But let him rant. He won't hurt any one but himself. The world is full of people who have the Christmas cheer and the Christmas benevolence; so full of them that the "old Schrooges" are lost sight of only as they seem so queer as to be amusing. The man is to be pitied who does not get into the atmosphere of "Merry Christmas."

But what is to make it merry? Some one says, "Before you mail your (Continued on page 4)

CHURCH PROGRAMS

Of Congregations Which Will Hold Special Services on Christmas Day

The churches of the city will celebrate Christmas tomorrow and in addition to the programs published there will be special exercises at the following churches:

St. Paul's Episcopal Church
Tonight at midnight there will be an elaborate musical service at St. Paul's Episcopal church. The special music will include many grand choral numbers rendered by a large choir. The second Christmas service will be held at eight o'clock Christmas morning.

Norwegian-Danish Lutheran
Services as usual Christmas day at 10:30 A. M. There will be no evening services, the pastor being at Pequot. Christmas services at Vaale church, Maple Grove, next Sunday at 11 A. M. The announcement for the Christmas tree, etc., will be made later. C. Hougstad, pastor.

Swedish Mission
"Jul Otta" services will be celebrated Christmas morning at six o'clock at the Swedish Mission church. The Sunday school program will be a fine program and will be presented Thursday evening at seven o'clock. There will be recitations by the children, and songs by the little ones and by the choir. Everybody is welcome to attend.

Swedish Baptist Church
There will be "Jul Otta" services at 5:30 Christmas morning at the Swedish Baptist church. In the evening the Sunday school will give a program consisting of recitations, motion songs, vocal duets, etc., in both English and Swedish. The program will begin promptly at 7 P. M. The admission for adults will be 10 cents. All are cordially invited to attend.

Norwegian Lutheran Church
Christmas services will be celebrated at the Seventh Street Norwegian Lutheran church. The morning subject of the pastor, Rev. M. L. Hostager, will be "The World's Personal Saviour." There will be songs by the choir. The evening program embraces a cornet solo by Chris Elvig, song by the church choir, solo by Miss Anna Michaelson, sermon, song by the choir, violin solo by Miss Jennie Zakariassen, song by the ladies trio. The children's program will be given on Thursday evening.

A GOOD BOOST FOR HOME TOWN

Why One Should Buy at Home and Why Home Support Builds up Brainerd, Your Town

The Duluth Herald, one of the most consistent boosters of Duluth, has an editorial on "Way I Buy at Home" which is applicable to Brainerd, and tells in very succinct manner why one should patronize home industries. It reads:

Why I buy at Home—Because this is the place where I make my money and this is the place to spend it.

Because my interests are here.

Because I believe in transacting business with friends.

Because the community that is good enough for me to live in is good enough for me to buy in.

Because I want to see the goods.

Because I want to get what I pay for.

Because every dollar spent at home stays at home and works for the development of the city.

Because the man I buy from stands back of the goods.

Because I sell what I produce here at home.

Because the man I buy from pays his part of the city and county taxes.

Because the man I buy from helps support my school, my church, my lodge and my home.

Here is where I live, and here is where I buy.

BEST AND HEALTH TO MOTHER AND CHILD.
"Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup has been used for over SIXTY YEARS by MILLIONS of MOTHERS for their CHILDREN WHILE TEething, with PERFECT SUCCESS. IT SOOTHES THE CHILD, SOFTENS THE GUMS, ALLAYS ALL PAIN; CURES WIND COLIC, and is the best remedy for DIARRHOEA. It is absolutely harmless. Be sure and ask for 'Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup,' and take no other kind. Twenty-five cents a bottle."

MENTIONS BRAINERD CASE

Superior Telegram Has Writup of John Mattson vs Cuyuna Northern Railway Co. Suit

The Superior Telegram, under the heading, "Brennan Wins a Case at Brainerd," says: "Attorney John Brennan has returned from Brainerd, Minn., where he successfully conducted a civil case in the district court in that city. The case was one of John Mattson against the Cuyuna Northern railway, a branch of the Northern Pacific, involving some land located near Ironton. The commissioners in the condemnation proceedings awarded J. E. Mattson, the owner, \$2,600. He appealed the case to the district court at Brainerd and secured a verdict of \$5,500 in his favor. Mr. Brennan acted as attorney for Mattson, while D. F. Lyons of St. Paul, was attorney for the Northern Pacific and M. E. Ryan of Brainerd appeared for the railway company."

During the trial of the case objection was made by the plaintiff to the publication by the Dispatch of the amount, \$2,600, which the commissioners had originally awarded Mattson, such item being a reproduction of news printed months ago when the commissioners were hearing evidence near the proposed railway. It was even argued that the subsequent publication of such a report rendered the reporter of the Dispatch liable to contempt of court.

PASS IT ALONG

A Few Limericks on Love by Houston Post, Milwaukee Sentinel and Brainerd Dispatch

A fellow who lived in Virginia
Once told a sweet girl, "I will winia"
But the girl turned her head
To her chum as she said,
"Didja hear 'im? Now, wouldn't that skinia?" —Houston Post

A fellow from old Mississippi
Was courting a girl who was snippi;
He said: "Be my bride?"
But she coldly replied,
"Aw, beat it, young feller! You're dippli." —Milwaukee Sentinel.

A fellow up in Minnesota,
Like this won a girl from Dakota:
"I'll buy you a goat or
An alsaup or motor,
If you'll marry me in Kasota." —Brainerd Dispatch.

Schmidt's bottle beer, famous for quality. Order a case. Telephone 164. John Coates Liquor Co.—Adv.



We wish our
Many Friends
a
Very Joyous
Christmas
"MICHAEL'S"

A FEW Appropriate Articles That make Pleasing Gifts for Xmas

Skies
Rifles
Watches
Shot Guns
Percolators
Skates, Etc.
Carving Sets
Manicure Sets
Chafing Dishes
Music Cabinets
Electric Toasters
Bissels Carpet Sweepers
Roger Bros. Silverware

Sleds
Desks
Buffets
Air Guns
Davenport
Baby Cutters
Library Tables
Rocking Chairs
Electric Lamps
Bed Room Suites
Electric Sad Irons
And
Dining Room Suites

These goods have all been priced low for the holiday trade and we are positive that we can satisfy your wants.

We sell only reliable Merchandise

D. M. Clark & Co.

212-14-16 Iron Exchange

Christmas Thoughts

From E. S. HOUGHTON, Jeweler and Optician

We Append a Suggestive List of Gift articles from the best and largest stock ever shown in the city, and the prices are those YOU can afford. Certainly no store is more richly endowed than ours to suggest and provide appropriate and worthwhile Gift articles—Gifts that not only afford keen pleasure on Christmas morning but become cherished companions for years. We earnestly advise "taking time by the forelock" and inspecting our broad and splendid collection NOW while the assortments are the largest.

Cut Glass—There is nothing better than a piece of cut glass for a holiday present. We have the finest line in the city.

Sterling Silver—You can get all the latest novelties here at lower prices than others charge.

Hand Engraving—We make a specialty of hand engraving of monograms, etc., free of charge on all goods sold, when so desired.

Bracelets—Largest stock ever brought to the city. Unique and dainty designs so dear to the feminine heart.

Fine Umbrellas—Sterling silver and gold filled handles of the new patterns. Everyone wants one for xmas.

Hand Painted China—All hand painted china will be sold out at wholesale prices and below to close out the stock.

Watches—We have the largest and best stock ever shown here. Solid and gold filled cases. Quality guaranteed.

Jewelry—The selections we have made for our Christmas displays have resulted in the greatest number of different varieties we have ever shown of such staple pieces as rings, chains, stick pins, brooches, cuff buttons, etc.

An Elegant Line of Diamonds for the Holiday Trade

E. S. HOUGHTON, Jeweler

Bank Block, South Sixth Street

Talks on Shoe Repairing

How the Wide Awake Saves You Money—

"When it comes to furnishing the people with good shoes," said Goldberg, of the Wide Awake shop, "I've got the material. I have a brand of leather which outwears three of the best white oak soles. It's the famous PANTHER BRAND. This PANTHER stock of leather is absolutely just as good water-proof as it's wear-proof. People having shoes repaired at the Wide Awake save money and get the best leather Brainerd has ever seen."

Panther soles 90c,
White Oak soles 75c

GIVE IT A TRIAL

NO DUST SHINE STAYS

BLACK SILK LIQUID SHOE POLISH

USED AND SOLD BY HARDWARE DEALERS

GET A CAN TODAY

NILES & GORDON
Power Vacuum Cleaning
Leave orders at
Brockway & Parker's
Phone 71

FOR QUICK SALE—A large number of stoves, slightly used, that we have taken in trade on new stoves. Guaranteed to be in first class condition. \$5.00 and up. D. M. Clark & Co.

ASHBY & BRITTON
NEW BARBER SHOP
At Axel Johnson's Billiard Room
Cale Block 210 S. 7th St.

For Herself.
"Are you sure you love me for myself alone?" asked the romantic young woman.
"Well," replied the practical young man, "I don't think I love you for any one else."

School For Waiters In England.
A special school for training boys as waiters has recently been established in England in connection with the cookery school for boys at Westminster. Foreigners trained as waiters on the continent have been finding ready employment in England through lack of native applicants, and it is hoped that the new school will attract English boys into this occupation.

Christmas is Coming

and as usual

White Bros. are on deck with a Fine line of Christmas Goods, consisting of Skates, Skies, Sleds, Flexible Flyers, Cutlery, Carpet Sweepers, Nickel Plated Goods, Aluminum Ware, Table Cutlery, Carving Sets, Guns, Rifles and Sporting Goods.

WHITE BROS.

Come in and Make Your Reservations

616 Laurel St.

No Use for Rubbers

Whether it rains or the Streets are slushy, you can always be sure that Dr. A. Reed Shoes will keep your feet warm and dry—without rubbers.

Other shoes won't do that—but Dr. A. Reed Shoes have a special insole—a soft fibre cushion that is chaff-proof and damp-proof. Moisture simply can't come up through the sole.

And you'll enjoy walking whatever the weather is, for the cushion insole spreads your weight so evenly over your foot that it's just like "walking on air." No other shoes are half so comfortable—half so restful to your feet. And if you'll give us a chance today—tomorrow—anytime, we'll show you how to do away not only with rubbers, but with tired, aching, burning feet as well.

H. W. Linnemann

BUNCOMBE BILLS IN SHORT SESSION

Members of Congress Thus Gain a Little Notoriety.

ARE NOT EXPECTED TO PASS.

Occasionally the Explanation Is Made That Desire Is Merely to Cause Measures to Be Considered With a View of Bettering Them—Will Virginia Get Cabinet Place?

By ARTHUR W. DUNN.

Washington, Dec. 24.—[Special.]—The short session of congress is the time for buncombe bills. These are measures which look as if they meant something important and give the man who introduced them a little notoriety and prominence as one who proposes a very important reform measure. These bills may take the form of measures to change the currency system, to reduce the high cost of living, to do any number of things which the country has been clamoring for, and yet they are all pure buncombe because they cannot be enacted into law at a short session of congress.

Two long sessions of congress have passed, sessions in which much business might have been transacted, in which these reform measures might have been introduced with some show of having them reported from a committee and considered in either house or senate, but there is no chance for them in the short session.

Educational Measures.

Sometimes these bills are introduced with the statement that there will be no opportunity for action, but that it is the desire of the person introducing them to have them printed and considered by people interested throughout the country and an opportunity offered for change or amendment. But as a usual thing the big bills introduced go in as if the member expected action this session.

Virginia's Place.

It seems to be assumed from time to time that Virginia is to have a place in the cabinet because Woodrow Wilson was once a resident of that state. There was a time when Virginia was inclined to send a solid delegation to Baltimore for Wilson, but Thomas F. Ryan stepped in and prevented that action. At the same time loyal friends of Wilson, under the leadership of Harry S. George Tucker, managed to win a part of the delegation for the New Jersey governor. Whenever it appears likely that Tucker is to have a place in the cabinet about all the "old guard" of the Martin-Swanson machine turn flip flops. They have been fighting Tucker for years.

Teacher In Every County.

"We want a man in every county in the United States to teach the farmers how to farm better," said Congressman Lever, explaining the Lever-Smith bill now pending in congress. It may be that there will not be time enough to consider that bill this session, but if it ever gets before either body the farmers' interest in legislation will push it through. Both men have determined to get early action on this measure in the next congress.

Those French Patriots.

Congressman Curley of Massachusetts in opposing the immigration bill referred to the French patriots who accompanied Rochambeau to this country to assist in the struggle of the colonies for independence. Among the officers who accompanied Rochambeau, he said, were the following: Three Dillons, O'Moran, Moncreilly, Moore, Purdon, Banks, Nugent, Swigley, Shee, O'Neill, O'Berin, MacGuire, Macdermont, O'Reilly, Kelly, Noonan, O'Doyne, Lynck, Cogan, Nagle, O'Conroy, O'Connor, O'Riordan, O'Gorman and Macarthy—"all Frenchmen," said Curley.

Curley added that if the restrictions as to reading and writing contained in the bill had been in force before the Revolution and since that many members of the house would not be residents of this country, as it was probable that many of their ancestors when immigrants were not able to read or write.

Regulars Win First Bout.

The settlement of the pro tem. presidency of the senate by dividing the honor between Gallinger and Bacon ought to be a hint to the progressive element as to what may be expected if any attempt is made to ride rough shod over the old timers in the senate next session. Before these senators will be demoted they will form an alliance with the seniors on the Republican side and control the senate, just as they did in the present case. Conservatives are in control and will be in the next session if it comes down to a fight between the two factions and party lines are to be wiped out as they were in the election of a presiding officer.

Coe Crawford's Work.

It is a thankless task to be chairman of the committee on claims, but Senator Crawford of South Dakota has performed his task with devotion to duty that is commendable. "I have personally examined every claim," he said, "read the findings of the court of claims in each case and know the merits of each claim." That required an enormous amount of work, but he was informed every time an old claim was presented and prepared to defend every claim in a very large bill.

As an Offset.

"That girl has been promoted twice to my office. She has all the luck in this office."

"Well, I notice that she also has most of the work on her shoulders. So I guess she's entitled to the luck."—Washington Herald.

Made Her Laugh.

Tom—Did Miss Roxley entertain your proposal? Jack—On the contrary, my proposal seemed to entertain her.—Boston Transcript.

CHRISTMAS DAY COMES TOMORROW

(Continued from page 3.)

Christmas gift put 'love' on the tag. But suppose you do, will that make Christmas merry? If love is in the heart, and the gift is out of that love need one put 'love' on the tag? Suppose we should try just for this year giving only from the motive of love, might we not have a more merry Christmas than ever? Just let the others go. Let the other folk commercialize Christmas if they will; but we, never!

That was God's way; He gave because He loved, and the world has never ceased its praise for a single minute since that time. If we give in that spirit we shall "Encircle us with love, and raise a rampart of our fellows."

REV. E. E. SATTERLEE,
Pastor First Methodist Church.

Christmas Joys

The festival of Christmas which is at hand is one which brings joy, not only to the Christian but also the American heart. Notwithstanding the fact that in the early days of the Puritan way in New England it was more or less forgotten still it was only a transitory feeling and America in unison with the rest of Christendom fell into line in doing honor to a day which easily holds the prominent place in conscience and memory.

The birth of Christ which we celebrate on this day fills us with joy because it asserts the supremacy of conscience. It gives a sanction to our individual duties which we seek in vain in any man's history that has ever appeared on the human stage as a legislator for human kind. There have been great philosophers and great legislators who have endeavored each according to his light and power, to uplift humanity to a height commensurate with its greatness and dignity but how immeasurably far the Doctrine of Christ surpasses them all, from the fact especially that our consciences have been stirred by Him to a depth that the true Christmas thoroughly realizes.

The idea of law and righteousness enshrined in the federal and state constitution derives all beauty and grandeur from their conformity with Christ's law and in vain would our legislators labor, in vain would civic righteousness be expounded from pulpit or judicial chair unless the consciences of men were attuned to their necessity by the light that shines from Bethlehem's crib.

Across the centuries our hearts are thrilled with the Angelic chorus which first resounded on the hills of Bethlehem, "Glory to God and peace on earth to men of good will." These accents breathe of peace. They are a psalm of charity. The leper is cleansed. The hospital for the cure of the infirm is established. The slave is emancipated. The economic equilibrium is established. The greed of the capitalist is quashed. The greed of the laborer is extinguished before the grandeur of the Divine law which finds its charter in Christianity. The climax of spiritual joys, enunciated in the Christmas spirit, is the fact that men are spiritual beings, looking for that more abiding life which knows no death, which the Man-God of Bethlehem assures to His true followers.

In the light of His peace and joy our heart goes forth to each true Christian of Brainerd and we wish them all not only in word but in deed, "A very happy Christmas."

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A Great Capacity.
"Mr. Guzzitt, have you any rivets in your sides?"
"No, Bobby. Why do you ask me such a question?"
"My father said you were a human tank."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Idiot Brains.
The brain of an idiot contains much less phosphorus than that of a person of average mental power.

Machinery Plant Burns.
St. Paul, Dec. 24.—Fire which started in the basement of the C. I. Johnson Manufacturing company building caused an estimated loss of \$60,000 to the Johnson firm, manufacturers of printing machinery, and \$30,000 to Maendler Bros., brush manufacturers.

TRAFFIC RULE FOR WALKERS.

Compelled to Obey Policemen's Whistle In a Test In Chicago.

Pedestrians in downtown Chicago have come under the sway of the policeman's whistle the same as vehicles. The test was made recently, and the scheme may be extended. Eight policemen—four mounted and four on foot—were on duty and expounded to pedestrians the new traffic ruling.

"One minute, please, ladies and gents," they would say. "Stand where you are for the present on the sidewalk. There, don't push out in the street that way. One moment, there, madam; wait for the signal. Pedestrians are to be put under the same regulations as teamsters. Pedestrians going north or south can pass when the officer blows one long blast on his whistle. Two blasts from the whistle and east and west traffic goes through. There's your signal, people. Learn to recognize it. All right; step lively now."

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The Ready Editor.

Editor—In your report of my daughter's wedding her name "Gratia" was printed "Gratia." Editor—Well, that wasn't such a bad mistake. You gave her away, didn't you?—Boston Transcript.

The Test.

"Come in here. I wish to tell you a piece of gossip Mrs. Smith told me."
"Is it good?"
"Is it? I had to promise not to tell a soul before she would tell me."—Houston Post.

Order.
Order is the sanity of the mind, the health of the body, the peace of the city, the security of the state. As the beams to a house, as the bones to the microcosm of man, so is order to all things.

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